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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Board of Public Utilities

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS

IN THE MATTER OF A REVISION OF)
UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY OF)
NEW JERSEY, INC. TARIFF N.J.B.P.U.)
NO. 3 TO REDUCE THE MONTHLY)
RATES ASSOCIATED WITH THE)
FRAME RELAY GATEWAY SERVICES)
ELEMENT)

ORDER OF APPROVAL

DOCKET NO. TR00070492

(SERVICE LIST ATTACHED)

BY THE BOARD:

On July 13, 2000, United Telephone Company of New Jersey, Inc. (Petitioner or United) filed a proposal to reduce some of the monthly rates associated with its Frame Relay Gateway Service rate element for the following speeds:

<u>Speed</u>	<u>Current Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Monthly Rate</u>
Over 64 Kbps through 128 Kbps	85.00	70.00
Over 128 Kbps through 256 Kbps	165.00	100.00
Over 256 Kbps through 384 Kbps	250.00	130.00
Over 384 Kbps through 512 Kbps	330.00	160.00
Over 512 Kbps through 768 Kbps	500.00	190.00
Over 768 Kbps through 1,536 Kbps	995.00	220.00

No changes in speeds less than 64 Kbps are being proposed and no non-recurring rates are being changed.

All new prices exceed costs. Although petitioner requests price decreases in all categories between 64 Kbps and 1,536 kbps, petitioner forecasts a net increase in profitability, due to a forecasted increase in the number of units in service.

Since the proposed change in prices will result in increased affordability of this service, as well as an overall increase in product profitability, the proposed changes will not in any way adversely affect the company's ability to provide safe, adequate, or proper service. The Board therefore ORDERS that United's petition be APPROVED as filed.

DATED: 11/22/02

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